

**COLLEGE OF LETTERS AND SCIENCE**  
**Bachelor of Arts (BA)**  
*General Education / Degree Requirements*

*(Applicable only to students using the Fall 2011 Bulletin or later.)*

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*All Bachelor of Arts students must satisfy general education requirements set by the College of Letters & Science and satisfy the foreign language requirement specific to the Bachelor of Arts degree.*

1. Complete a minimum of 42 credits of general education; please consult your STAR for appropriate courses in each category
2. Complete the fourth term of study in a single, approved foreign language, or test *beyond\** the fourth term of study in a foreign language on the UW System Foreign Language Placement Exam *\*(consult with UARC Advisor or Department of Foreign Languages)*
3. Complete an academic major and, *if required*, an academic minor
4. Achieve the specified, minimum *cumulative* grade point average as required by the declared major and meet course grade requirements within major/minor
5. Complete a minimum of **120** degree credits with a minimum grade point average of 2.0 across all attempted credits
6. Complete **35** upper level credits (300 and 400 level course work) with a grade point average of 2.0
7. Earn a 2.0 grade point average in all courses applicable to the university's general education English composition requirement
8. All courses must have General Education designation as listed on STAR (i.e. (HU), (SS), (NW), etc.)

**Please note...**

***This planning guide is designed to help you understand the general education / degree requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree. It is your responsibility to understand these requirements. For assistance in understanding your STAR please contact the Undergraduate Advising Resource Center or the PAL office in Scott Hall.***

***For an official statement of your individual progress to degree, please use Titan Web to access your Student Academic Record (STAR). Always select "get a new STAR" when printing your STAR in preparation for your advising appointment.***

Notes: 1) If you have earned an associate or baccalaureate degree at a UW College or University, see your UARC advisor regarding requirements that may have already been met. 2) An (H) indicates a University Honors Program approved course.

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**Composition/Writing** ~ 6 credits of composition required w/ minimum of a 2.0 grade average across both courses:

**Course I:** Writing Based Inquiry Seminar (3 cr.)  
WBIS 188 or English (38) 101 or 110 (H)

**Course II:** Advanced composition (3 cr.)  
English (38) 302, 307, 309, 310, 316, 317, 318, or 321  
(Pre-requisite: 45 credits earned)

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**Problem Based Inquiry Seminar (PBIS)**

**Math 100 and/or 103 if required:**  /

**Note:** Math (67) 100 and / or Math 103 may be required based on the student's math placement test scores. Math 100 and Math 103 are remedial courses that do not count toward graduation.

**PBIS 187, 188, or 189 (3 cr.)** PBIS

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**(PE) Active Lifestyle**

Physical Education (79) 105 (2 cr.)

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**(NW) Non-Western Culture (3 cr.)**

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**Speech Communication (3 cr.)**

Communication (96) 111 or 112(H)

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**BA Foreign Language Requirement:** Complete the fourth term of study in a single, approved foreign language, or test *beyond* the fourth term of study in a foreign language on the UW System Foreign Language Placement Exam

\_\_\_\_\_ Arabic (42)      \_\_\_\_\_ Japanese (44)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Chinese (56)    \_\_\_\_\_ Russian (48)  
\_\_\_\_\_ French (41)     \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish (49)  
\_\_\_\_\_ German (43)    

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**(HU) Humanities and Fine Arts (12 cr. required)**

Take one course from each of the first 3 areas (a, b and c) plus one additional humanities/fine arts course.

**a) Literature/English (38):**

**b) Philosophy (76) or Religious Studies (87):**

**c) Fine Arts (includes Art (22), Communication (96), Music (73) or Theater (97):**

**d) Additional Humanities/Fine Arts:**

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**(NS) Natural Science (8 cr. science w/ labs required)**  
Select *two courses* from approved natural science (NS) courses in Anthropology (21), Biology/ Microbiology (26), Chemistry (32), Geography (50), Geology (51), Physical Science (80), Physics/Astronomy (82). (*Check prerequisites*)

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**(SS) Social Science (12 cr. required)**

**Area 1:**

**History (57) 3 cr. required**

*Additional social science courses: 9 credits with at least one course in an area other than history. Check your STAR for course options from the following departments. (Must meet prerequisites)*

**Area 2**  (non-history area)

**3<sup>rd</sup> course**                       **4<sup>th</sup> course**

*Anthropology (21)*  
*Criminal Justice (35)*  
*Economics (36)*  
*Environmental Studies (37)*  
*Geography (50)*  
*Interdisciplinary Studies (94)*  
*International Studies (59)*  
*Liberal Studies*  
*Political Science (84)*  
*Public Administration (81)*  
*Psychology (86)*  
*Social Work (93)*  
*Sociology (92)*  
*Urban Planning (99)*  
*Women's Studies (98)*

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**(ES) Ethnic Studies (3 cr.)**

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